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REQUEST TO OBTAIN PRIORITY DOCUMENT FROM WIPO

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Sir:

The Office Action Summary page of the Office Action mailed April 2, 2010 indicates that a certified copy of the Swiss priority application has not been received by the USPTO. According to the European register for the corresponding European application, the priority document for the PCT application was received at the International Bureau on April 21, 2005 in accordance with Rules 17.1(a) or (b). Therefore, Applicants understand that the USPTO should have requested a certified copy of the priority document directly from WIPO.

In view of these circumstances, Applicants kindly request that the USPTO obtain the priority document directly from WIPO.

Respectfully submitted,

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